

# David Cross

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I love doing stuff with Todd Barry and Jon Benjamin. We give the stage to good bands and funny people.

~David Cross

Occasionally I'll watch Fox News for as long as I can tolerate it, or CNN. I'll watch until I get infuriated, but you got to know what they're talking about and what they're not talking about.

~David Cross

I like pot, I enjoy pot, I like to smoke it. But, the one thing I don't like about pot is the subculture it's spawned. I think it's embarrassing and really juvenile and uncreative

~David Cross

You cannot win a War on Terrorism. It's like having a war on jealousy.

~David Cross

We should just get somebody from the left and the right and they should all throw bumper stickers at each other and the first one to cover the other one wins.

~David Cross

Sketches have characters, exits, entrances and are vastly different.

~David Cross

I hate bumper stickers, you can't sum anything up. All you do is paint yourself in some caricaturist corner.

~David Cross

The Bible is the funniest book I have ever read. It's so funny! Right in the first six pages, it's funny!

~David Cross

The South has more of a disproportionate amount of irony on T-shirts

than any other region in the country.

~David Cross

I'm concerned about organized religion getting away with what it gets away with.

~David Cross

I went to a bunch of marches in New York and Washington, and you know I believe in the cause, but to march with those people takes a lot of compromise on my end.

~David Cross

You have to have some level of attachment, you can still have passion and believe but it has to be softened somewhat.

~David Cross

Besides if people really want to support the troops they would vote democrat.

~David Cross

I'd be curious to find out, but I don't think people in the entertainment industry are proportionally more or less serious politically than anyone in the landscaping industry.

~David Cross

There's the disingenuous duplicitousness, but you can apply that to every politician, really.

~David Cross

Aqua Teen Hunger Force is one of the funniest shows on TV and I was a little intimidated working with those guys 'cause you're in a sound booth by yourself and they're all in a room in Atlanta.

~David Cross

The best thing about me is there are no skeletons.

~David Cross

I know Dave [Attel] and we're friendly, and I have nothing but respect for him.

~David Cross

I do not want to encourage heckling and outbreaks at all.

~David Cross

I think I'd be a really good dad. So perhaps I'm doing society a disservice by not having as many kids as possible.

~David Cross

Because you've been on dates where y'know, you forget to open your eyes and wear pants and speak English.

~David Cross

We get to see it! January 1st, 2000! We get to see... all those fundamentalist preachers having to do their backpedaling when the Armageddon doesn't occur.

~David Cross

High Times magazine is a notch intellectually below Highlights for Children. I mean, they're both great to read when you're baked, but come on, ya know.

~David Cross

There is also a kind of mean-spiritedness with LA comics.

~David Cross

There is nothing interesting about just seeing me doing the show then seeing the fans and how much people love me.

~David Cross

I recently attended a pro-drug rally... in my basement.

~David Cross

I am truly passionate and concerned about the lack of empathy that people show towards one another.

~David Cross

That's what social media is, that's what Twitter is, that's what Facebook posts are. It's just really anti-intellectual.

~David Cross

I'm pretty happy. I obviously have complaints about things, but for the most part, I'm on the above-average side of happy people.

~David Cross

I have always tried to use humor to "help ever" and "hurt never," for I find that to laugh is like swallowing a secret that Santa Claus farted.

~David Cross

I really don't have a problem with gay marriage... because I'm tolerant and rational.

~David Cross

What happened to our friendship? I really think it's our obligation as friends to be brutally honest and be frank with them and say, 'Look, I'm sorry, but your baby is fking boring.'

~David Cross

[On the Dating Handbook] 'With a telescope, some munchies, and a warm blanket, watch for Halley's comet.' Yeah. I like that. There's no time limit. Just sit there and grow old together.

~David Cross

If people disagree with me and want to articulate it, that's not only their

right but almost their obligation.

~David Cross

Then I will tape the sets and even though I'm not very successful sometimes I will try to cut out the fat and put the jokes closer together.

~David Cross

There are really funny alternative comics and really funny straight comics who write and perform traditionally.

~David Cross

I love Tinkle, it's really the most fun I've had in years.

~David Cross

A verbose, prosaic review which mentions whistling winds and the timeless feeling of jade doesn't mean anything to me; I don't need a novella telling me about how an album is like a fine meal.

~David Cross

I'll think of the idea and then I'll write something down, then within that there will be a joke or two which is the original thing which I thought was funny.

~David Cross

So all my friends have kids now... which I think is rude.

~David Cross

I don't mean this to sound hyperbolic but there are increasingly, albeit really minor, similarities between now and how Germany was lulled into what happened pre-WW2.

~David Cross

I've got a lot of friends there and there is stuff to do but as much as I dislike LA I really like living and working in New York City.

~David Cross

As far as just my stand-up is concerned, I don't care about changing anyone's mind. I'm not making an argument. I'm a guy doing comedy.

~David Cross

I have a few business ideas (that I'm going to advertise in High Times, amongst other places), and one of them is a service in which I offer to eat and describe pork to kosher people.

~David Cross

I've never written jokes. I mean, I'll write things on a piece of paper and riff on them onstage.

~David Cross

Hopefully people are upset for the reason I want them to be upset. Even when I was doing open mics, I've always had people upset. I've never been the consummate crowd-pleaser.

~David Cross

I think pornography is the only art form where you can be videotaped on a shaky handy cam sucking off a horse and be considered a star.

~David Cross

I just often find myself getting shrill, angry and the jokes get more incredulous.

~David Cross

I work a lot and I like to get out and work but the work I do to make the other work work I'm not very good at.

~David Cross

My biggest problem is retaining the exact information.

~David Cross

There were a number of referendums in '98 that most of the things I voted for passed. That's very satisfying when you feel that most of the country is in step with your views.

~David Cross

I think people, for the most part, actually want what they think is best.

~David Cross

I lived in LA for almost nine years and if I never went back there again it would be fine.

~David Cross

I read the New York Times, and if I'm in a different city, I'll skim that paper.

~David Cross

If you want to reinstate the 14.4 billion dollars that Bush cut out of the veterans program then vote democrat.

~David Cross

I also try to think of ways to articulate the joke more economically.

~David Cross

If you wanna find out 101 things to do with plums, heh, read your in-flight magazine.

~David Cross

It's just an easy catchall to describe a style because there are a lot of alternative comics who are completely different from each other.

~David Cross

I don't think of my opponents in the sense that I don't think of them consciously, I don't steer it one way or the other.

~David Cross



James Lipton: The most pompous arrogant failure in history.

~David Cross

[If Donald Trump does get elected, I will be] probably Secretary Of Reeducation. Or I don't know. I'll probably end up working in the cafeteria.

~David Cross

I'm directing the Sky show. I'm not going to be in it. I'm just writing and directing it. So that'll satisfy that part of my brain.

~David Cross

I'm not going to benefit from free college education, but I think all those things are good for the country.

~David Cross

I'm not a centrist, and there's nothing about me that's centrist. I never have been.

~David Cross

You have to get the second season by acquiescing to a third season.

~David Cross

It's easy to see that two people might come up with that same idea.

~David Cross

I've had plenty of negative reviews. I have my entire life.

~David Cross

I still think that, hopefully, you're not ahead of the jokes, and I think that has value. There is a punchline and it's pointed - and, again, whether you think it's funny or not, that's subjective.

~David Cross

I've gotten "condescending" a million times, and that's not good.

~David Cross

Florida was the low point. The entire state, yep. I'm not sure I'd go back.

~David Cross

I don't want to do 20 minutes on Donald Trump. I want to do 10 minutes and move on. I wouldn't even do that with a live show, because I don't want it to feel like "An Evening Of Political Comedy."

~David Cross

I'm concerned about how and why there is no gun control.

~David Cross

I've never thought of myself as a hoity-toity cultural critic.

~David Cross

I have no hesitation doing children's movies. Zero. And I don't even have kids.

~David Cross

I'm a professional comic. Whether you think I'm funny or not, that's, again, subjective.

~David Cross

Hopefully people will be reinventing comedy forever and ever. This is just what I do, and it's a type of comedy.

~David Cross

I was heavily influenced by Andy Kaufman and Steven Wright.

~David Cross

Nobody is going to be as bad for free thinking, right-minded individuals

than George Bush.

~David Cross

And it's one more shitty thing to write about somebody, in between getting really, really, really upset at female Ghostbusters and Gamergate, and the things that really matter.

~David Cross

I was born Jewish, but I am an atheist. I don't believe in God.

~David Cross

You can't just yell jokes at people.

~David Cross

The underpinning of immigration concerns is xenophobia and racism and nationalism.

~David Cross

There were a handful of shows that were just painful. Not many, but things where I just said going into it, "Why am I here? What am I doing?"

~David Cross

Once you get into the [Donald] Trump stuff, you get people going, "I didn't come here to have my political views bashed."

~David Cross

I'd say 95 percent of my audience was white. They were mostly kind of older hipster folks like myself.

~David Cross

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